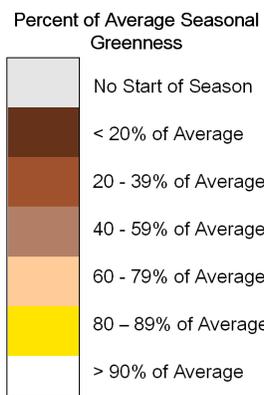
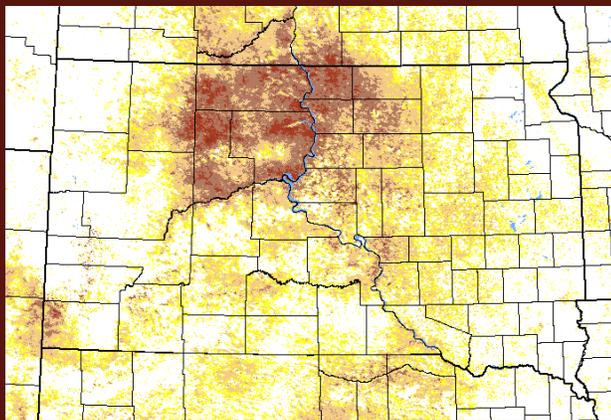
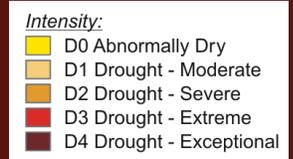
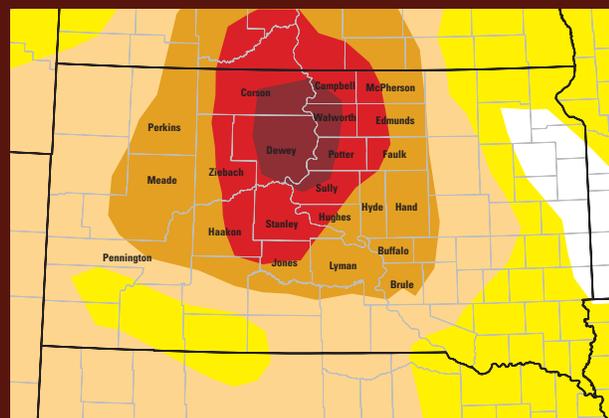


# The 2006 Drought in South Dakota

These two maps show the extent and severity of the 2006 drought in South Dakota. The top map is based on satellite data collected and processed at the U.S. Geological Survey's Center for Earth Resources Observation and Science (USGS EROS), and shows vegetation condition as a departure from average. The dark brown pattern in north central South Dakota shows below average drought conditions corresponding to the severe and extreme drought intensity areas shown in the bottom map. Many counties in South Dakota have been experiencing drought since 2002.



Vegetation growth compared to average  
Imagery recorded July 11, 2006  
([http://gisdata.usgs.net/website/Drought\\_Monitoring/viewer.php](http://gisdata.usgs.net/website/Drought_Monitoring/viewer.php))



Drought intensity  
U.S. Drought Monitor, July 11, 2006  
(<http://drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>)